REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1.) Claim Amendments

The Applicant has amended claims 1-7; and claims 9-11 have been added. Accordingly, claims 1-11 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

2.) Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

The Examiner rejected claims 1-8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Marui, et al. (US 4,961,212) in view of Dubus (US 4,731,811). Applicant respectfully disagrees with Examiner's reasoning and conclusion. As noted in page 4, lines 22 to 36 and page 5 lines 1 to 8 of the present application, a key advantage of the present invention is the use of additional storage areas for storing libraries of voice tags for use by the digital signal processing (DSP) unit. The device data storage is used to store separate libraries of voice tags, each library being associated with a respective profile, or operating mode, of the device. The libraries of voice tags are set up and stored by at least one user of the electronic device. In this way, the user is in control of determining the operating profiles that define the use of the mobile terminal.

In contrast, neither Marui nor Dubus disclose a device data storage used to store separate libraries of voice tags that are used to define the profiles of the mobile terminal and that are set up and stored by at least one user of the electronic device. In Marui, column 6, lines 35-68 and column 7, lines 1-17, reference is made to RAM 357k that stores various kinds of data during processing of the CPU 357i. As noted in column 6, line 61-63, the coded speech signals are compared with data pre-registered in the RAM. Marui does not comprise voice tags of a user corresponding to operating modes or profiles as determined by the user.

The speech recognition algorithm of Dubis is discussed in column 7, lines 29-47 of Dubus. This algorithm is rudimentary, simply allowing a user to dial a number by digit or key word. If a key word is used, then the directory searches for the telephone

number associated with the key word. Dubus does not disclose a user defined set of libraries for storing voice tags corresponding to different profiles. Although neither Marui nor Dubus, alone or in combination, disclose or suggest the present invention, the Applicant has amended the claims to better distinguish the claimed invention from Marui and Dubus. The Examiner's consideration of the amended claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 3-5 are multiple dependent claims that each depend from amended claims 1 and 2 and recite further limitations in combination with the novel elements of claims 1 and 2. Claims 7-8 each depend directly and indirectly, respectively, from amended claim 6 and recite further limitations in combination with the novel elements of claim 6. Therefore, the allowance of claims 1-11 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicant believes all of the claims currently pending in the Application to be in a condition for allowance. The Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw all rejections and issue a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims.

The Applicant requests a telephonic interview if the Examiner has any questions or requires any additional information that would further or expedite the prosecution of the Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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